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LOCAL NEWS.

SIDE LOCALS.

Boys, don't forget the club tomorrow (Friday) night.

"Will I eat Thanksgiving dinner with you?" Yes, too quick.

Who's President? U. S. Grant! Oh! give us a rest!

Post office closed last Thursday from 11 a m to 3 p m.

Girls, you had best advertise. Only 3 weeks left; you have not done your duty like men.

Miss Herndon read at Hardin College Monday night a la Miss Jennie Patterson.

Some of our friends were kind enough to "rumor" the LEDGER was to take an editress on her staff Thanksgiving day. Boys, we hate to disappoint any one, 'but you know how it is yourself.'

Stock sales last Saturday in spite of the cold weather. Quite a crowd attended the sales, and business was brisk.

Still our subscription list swells, but our book is like a giddy girl's heart or an omnibus, always room for one more.

Quite a number of the 'accomplished and fascinating' sons of Westminster were in this city on Thanksgiving day, and made us a call. Jolly fellows, they.

We will take wood in exchange for our paper, and we would say to some of our delinquent subscribers, in the words of—oh, what's his name the poet—"wood up."

Country dances are now all the go. The boys call them 'gumsuckings.' We don't understand the term.

Tom and Jerry, Esqs., are quite warm friends to some of the boys.

Call and let us print you some New Years cards. Don't be at all backward.

Wanted—Some man that don't know more about how a newspaper 'ought to be run' than the most experienced editor in the brotherhood.

When you see an old bachelor looking at the corn shocks and examining Prof. Tice's predictions and other signs of a cold winter, you may know that you will have a marriage to chronicle soon.

A new notion house is being opened on the south side of the square. It will be called the New York Store.

Miss Bettie N. King, of Fulton, accompanied by Miss Wilson, of the East, who is visiting her, were in this city on Wednesday last.

If you don't pay up those election bets soon, you will hear something 'drap.'

What is the matter with our Thespians? Rouse 'em up, boys; anything for a change.

Legislature meets Jan. 3d. Capt. Dan. McIntyre represents this county. Judging from his past record he will represent it with a vim. He is not one of your 'wishy-washy' men.

All those who know themselves to be indebted to this office will do well to pay up before the 1st of January. We want to open the new year with clean books. You see we are 'going to turn over a new leaf.'

By subscribing for the LEDGER now, you get it thirteen months for \$2.

We did not get to attend the pound party at the Ringo House last week. The everlasting paper kept us so busy, and then it was press eve; but we understand it was quite a success.

S. M. Reily, dentist, formerly of this city, is now permanently established at Wellsville. Success to you, Sam.

Prof. Gass made us a very social call last week. He speaks well for the condition of the public schools

of this city, and says that the attendance is larger now than it has ever been in the past.

If you want good candies, 'by neddy,' go to Null's.

Guy. Lamb, formerly a compositor in this office, dropped in on us last week.

Mr. Hablutzel has removed his repair shop into the St. Louis boot and shoe store.

Skating is all the rage now among the larger and marbles among the smaller boys.

Read our trustees sales. We advertise some valuable property.

In our local last week we made Mark Pilcher say that he had gold castors for sale. Now, Mark has gold rings in variety, but not gold castors—our mistake and Mark's treat. If you will call he will treat you all fairly and right.

Joel Guthrie, who has been quite sick, is now improving very fast.

Boys, don't go on the 'friz up' ice on Sunday. Sabbath breakers are always in danger.

We have had more ice this winter even, than we had all last winter. Prof. Tice knew what he was doing when he bought him an ulster.

Methodist quarterly meeting on Sunday, 11th.

We are under obligations to Mr. Rainey for a report of his school.

Col. Singleton, of Fulton, was in this city and made us a call Thanksgiving day.

T. H. Musick, who has been East several months, is now in the city again.

Butter has gone up 5c per pound out your bread thick.

Read Ryerson's double column ad on first page. His prices bear on their face 'live and let live.'

Miss Florence Price, one of Columbia's fairest belles, was in this city on Monday. She was the guest of the Misses Silver.

The city fathers have forbidden any one to throw their ashes on the street, and the marshal takes a promenade every once in a while to see that it is enforced. This is a good idea. Now we will not only have dry streets but clean ones.

Mr. Caldwell, living about 6 miles south of this city, has our thanks for favors this week.

Look over our columns and see who do the advertising. They are the men that have large stocks of goods and can afford to sell cheap.

'Ramble' has our thanks for a very interesting communication this week. Trust he will favor us often.

If you wish a sample copy of the LEDGER, call up and get it.

T. B. Wills sold a pig last week to Mr. Jones of this city, which weighed 600 pounds. Just wait till you hear from his hogs.

Some of our friends when their hogs have the cholera give them strychnine. We understand that about 60 have been poisoned in this way. Take warning.

PATRIOTIC MINISTER.—A minister of the gospel living not more than 10 miles from Mexico, last Sunday closed his prayer with these words: "Our Father in Heaven, abide with us now and forever, Samuel J. Tilden."

Mr. Lawhead is very sick.

Mr. Adams, who was so badly shot last week, is doing well; and it is thought will recover.

A poultry market has been established in the rear of Willie Frost's reading room.

Messrs. Chas. Patton and Sam Watson, two prominent merchants of Fulton, en route for Chicago, made us a pleasant call yesterday.

The treasurer of the bazar held by the ladies of the Presbyterian church for the purpose of raising funds for purchasing a carpet, paid over to the committee on Friday morning last \$259.55.—Fulton Enterprise.

Oh, Ye Grangers,

And ye that are not Grangers,

TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS

WORTH OF

BOOTS & SHOES

To be slaughtered at the old stand of
WILLIAMS & REED.

Best Boot in Mexico,

For \$3.25, well worth \$4; and is a far better boot than you have been buying at \$3.50 and \$4.

An Extra Good Shoe

For women, only \$1.50; and all other Boots and Shoes in proportion.

W. F. REED,
Mexico, Mo.

Subscribe for

THE WEEKLY LEDGER

Largest and Best Paper in Audrain county.

BOOTS, SHOES

Hats, Caps and Gloves.

N. LACKLAND,

East side square, Mexico, Mo.,

Keeps constantly on hand a large and complete stock of

BOOTS & SHOES



Hats, Caps & Gloves

FOR SALE at BOTTOM PRICES

We have a large manufacturing shop in connection with the store in which the "best workmen are employed;" Boots and Shoes of the best quality made, and at prices that

Defy Competition.

Winter Boots Made to Order,

FOR \$5.00.

All Boots and Shoes sold by us

Warranted Not to Rip.

Come and examine our stock before buying elsewhere. 27-1y

The Cheapest Cash Harness House in Mexico.

A. F. RYERSON,

Having re-opened his old stand, north side square, up stairs, would call the attention of farmers and all others in want of Harness for cash, to the following prices.

Self adjusting harness.....	\$28 00	Wrought bits from 25c to.....	75
Folded pad harness.....	25 00	Lines 18 feet long 1 inch wide....	2 50
Short tug harness.....	26 00	Flat saddles, from.....	\$6 00 to 10 00
The celebrated Ryerson collar.....	2 00	Kilgore ".....	6 50 to 10 00
Double headstall riding bridles.....	1 50	Patent side saddles.....	7 00 to 12 00
Racking bits.....	20	Old style ".....	7 00 to 12 00

Whips, spurs and all other articles usually kept in a first-class establishment, very low for cash. None but the best oak leather used.

ALL WORK WARRANTED FOR TWO YEARS.
I Trust the above prices will convince all that I mean business. Call and examine my work.

Married.

At the residence of the bride's father, Audrain county Mo., Dec. 4th 1876, by Elder J. H. Hardin, Mr. Robert Powell to Miss Alice Brinton, both of this county.

At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. James Sims, on the 6th, Mr. James Lewis, to Miss Minerva E. Sims, both of this county. Rev. W. R. Wigginton officiated. Columbia papers please copy.

DIED.

Eliza wife of George Crooks, age 23 years on last Thursday night of pneumonia. Ten miles north of Mexico.

On last Tuesday night about 7 miles southeast of Mexico, Mrs. Dungan.

New Firm.

The late firm of Mitchell Bros. have purchased the entire stock of drugs, books &c., formerly owned by P. M. Morris, of this city. The Mitchell Bros. three in number hail from Bloomfield Iowa where they now have a large stock of everything in the drug line under the management of W. S. Mitchell. The other two J. H. and T. G. Mitchell have come to this city for the purpose of establishing a first class drug and book store and running it in first class style. They have thoroughly renovated the store of P. M. Morris and are receiving new goods of all kinds. In addition to their keeping a fine line of drugs &c. They will make a specialty of books, stationery &c. J. H. Mitchell has had an experience of 8 years as a practical druggist. T. G. Mitchell for the past three years has been under the instructions of Dr. J. V. Pointer, of Iowa, graduate of St. Louis Medical College and a practical druggist of 33 years experience.

These gentlemen thoroughly understand their business and we heartily recommend them to the patronage of our appreciative public.

Dr. Patterson, the celebrated Acute pill man and pharmacist will still remain with Mitchell Bros at the City Drug Store.

Turkey was gobbled up Thursday, but it wasn't by the Russians.

HERE IT IS.—Pens, pencils, inks, school books and slates at MITCHELL Bros. 33-1y.

Remember the State Teachers' Association to be held in Jefferson City on Dec. 26, 27 and 28th. Reduced fare can be had over the roads.

You can get the snow shoveled off your side walks pretty cheap this winter, there will be so many campaign orators out of a job.

WHAT IS IT.—Pure, drugs, paints, oil and glass at MITCHELL Bros 33-1y.

Farmers gather up your plows, give them a coat of oil, put them under shelter, and you will be relieved of the necessity of plowing up the public roads next spring.

Ignate subscriber (excited and pointing to an objectionable article) —"What does that mean? Every statement is false." Editor (gazing reflectively at the article in question) —"I shouldn't wonder if the whole article was a typographical error."

ANOTHER TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—A

young lady named Sallie Langer, aged 10 years, residing with Mr. L. S. Watts, about 6 miles southeast of Mexico, on last Friday, while standing with her back too near the fire her dress was enveloped in flames before she knew it. She gathered the folds of her dress about her, endeavoring to smother the flames, but not succeeding, she ran out of doors rolling herself about in the snow, she finally extinguished the flames by tearing off the burning garments, together with the charred flesh.

Her left arm and her back, from her waist to neck was fairly baked. Her hair was protected by a breakfast shawl which she happened to have around her head. It is feared that the accident will prove fatal, but the doctor thinks there is some hopes of her recovery, though she is in a terrible condition.

When a woman can feel a mouse crawling along her spinal column, and not stop to think whether she has on stripped stockings before keeling over in a fit, she is at least qualified to enjoy the elective franchise.

"So a granger won't cuss?" Did you ever see one pick up a bumble bee by mistake on a hot day in summer?

The revival meeting at Wilder's school house, near John's Branch, at last accounts was still in progress, with 67 additions to the church.

ANNUAL ELECTION.—Tuesday Dec. 5th, 1876, Crusade Commandery 23. K. T.—James Carroll, E. C.; S. Martin, G. G.; A. Potteat C. G.; J. D. Vincil, Prelate. W. E. Bridges, S. W.; S. S. Craig J. W.; R. H. Fowler, Rec; Chas. J. Settle Treas.; M. Garth, S. B.; J. Tucker, S. B. J. M. Maraduke, W.; J. M. Riley C. G.

Freeman & Dushman sold on last Saturday to Wallace & McKamy 100 hogs averaging 287 lbs at \$1.14 per 100 lbs.

J. A. Simons wrote us a line yesterday to state that he had "not busted," but would soon be in this city with a splendid troupe. He is the people's favorite. Look out for him.

Mr. Ward's report of Teachers' Institute came too late for this issue, but will appear next week.

ANOTHER "MILL" AT VANDALIA.—We understand that Mr. Beshears knocked a blacksmith named Anderson heels-over-head; the blacksmith rose to his feet and cut Beshears badly. We were unable to learn the particulars, and the above is given for what it is worth as rumor.

Sewing machine for sale or trade at this office, CHEAP. Call and see.

PLEASANT TIME.—Quite a number of young folks assembled at the residence of A. B. Gish, on Tuesday night last, to trip the "light fantastic." The music was furnished by Messrs. Luckie and Prewitt. The participants return thanks for the hospitable manner in which they were entertained.

STOLEN.—On last Thursday a pocket book containing quite a sum of money, and also a valuable gold chain and locket were stolen from the residence of Mr. H. A. Silver of this city. A liberal reward will be given for any information left at the LEDGER office.